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Circulation During February. W. B. Carr, Business Manager of The St. Louis Rebeing duly sworn, says that the actual number of full and complete conles of the Daily and Sunday Republic printed during the month of February, 1904, all all its baldness to the American people-control of in regular editions, was as per schedule below:

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Net number distributed......3,048,739 Average daily distribution...... 105,128 And said W. B. Carr further says that the number of opies returned and reported unsold during the month of ebruary was 7.75 per cent. W. B. CARR. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 29th day of February was 7.75 per cent. February. J. F. FARISH Notary Public, City of St. Louis, Mo.

My term expires April 25, 1905. WORLD'S-1904-FAIR

IF HAMLET LIVED TO-DAY.

Shakespeare's Prince of Denmark soliloquized alarmed that "or ere those shoes were old, with the machine would speedily avail itself of the openwhich she followed my dead father's body, like ing. which she followed my dead father's body, like
Niobe all tears, she married my uncle, my father's
brother." Poor Hamlet. If he were living now he
would not have room in his mind for so much
melancholy. There would be too much food for
easy thought.

Mr. Roosevelt will lead the party in opposition
to many elements which have hitherto formed its
strength, elements which it has never encountered
in like degree before and has never overcome. As
against a safe Democrat the commercial and finanmelancholy. There would be too much food for
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One table scattering in getter.

In the district of Bengal alone there are nearly 1,000.

One can be seen to be added the ladies was employed the
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Were Hamlet alive to-day, he would come down to his Lenten breakfast with a cigarette in his pose Mr. Roosevelt with all possible strength. mouth and scan the headlines in the morning papers. The March wind might have driven the ganization against the popular will; sheer organiclouds from his brain if he had opened the window zation against principle, against the tide of arguof his room; and, having heard a pleasant good ment, against all the issues. morning from his landlady, whom he had paid on the first, his imagination would be as happily lively racy than those live ones of popular appeal: Fedas Santos-Dumont's airship.

Manchuria and Korea would claim a soliloquy. A few sentences for the theaters and hotels destroyed by fire. A few words for the conductor for his sister-in-law who married his other brother words about President Roosevelt's sermons.

Then he would get to Jeffries and Monroe and the Democratic Presidential nomination. After a grantly violated them, offering no excuse, few deep thoughts and muttered words on these points he would go to work. The modern Hamlet breadth of the land stand ready to follow a strong. is healthy and busy.

THE LIFE OF A SPECULATOR.

Some two years ago Daniel J. Sully went to New it thrives. York from Providence with the intention of making \$50,000 in the cotton market. This was the sum said \$50,000 from his bank account to their own. Mr. Sully remained, and to-day he is the great cotton bull of the world.

parently he has the market at the point where he can dictate the price. He has enriched the Southera planter and has for himself made something like \$3,000,000. Now he has become a member of organization which is yet only in the formative pethe New York Stock Exchange, the New York Cof- riod. The issues are made, the weapons are at fee Exchange, the New Orleans Cotton Exchange hand, victory is assured with the sane and proper and the Chicago Board of Trade.

Now then: How long will he live as the ruling speculator? That question is asked by members of power. of the various exchanges. From time to time one hears of syndicates which promise, in street parlance, to "take him down the line." He is closely tied down to his business. He is well aware of President of the Mormon Church, but the great many who are waiting for a show of weakness on cheerfulness which he displayed in the rigorous inhis part. This weakness has not yet developed. But quiry at Washington is to be commended. In many may it not? If it does, may be not have cause to ways be is like poor Jo-"He don't know nothink." regret that he was not content with his original This is particularly true when the question of his ambition after having attained it? Is it not pos- progeny is approached. He said that "to the best of change in the young wife's mode of living. sible that sometimes he may wish that he had his recollection" his five wives had borne him eleven kept out of the market and that he thinks that the children since the manifesto of 1890. life of a speculator, no matter how successful, is hardly worth the mental wear and tear?

Saturday last the steamship Lucania reached New York with one less passenger than was on her the response. list. This was a man who had ended his life by leaping from the steamship's deck into the ocean. Mr. Smith acknowledges that he has been break-He was an Englishman who had formerly been a ing the law. Very few men, it is safe to say, would prosperous cotton manufacturer in Nottingham. The be so entertainingly frank. There are very few prevailing prices of cotton had ruined him. This men who would care to acknowledge that they has been used as an argument against speculation didn't know how many children had been born to ready retire such vessels as the Oregon, Massachusetts and has caused some rather harsh words to be them in fourteen years, or who would so affably and Indiana? These are said not to be equipped with gald of Sully. These detractors, too, point to mills acknowledge that they were lawbreakers,

THE ST. LOUIS REPUBLIC. practically idle in New England because of the position in which these mills are placed,

Can Sully say that while he may be held responsible for these conditions he has benefited the whole South and be mentally repaid?

DEMOCRACY AND THE TIMES.

year the most impressive national victory in history. It is a tremendous work cut out for the party; date, and they will work when the time comes it is a giant plan demanding union of all forces, but Meanwhile, they are watching New York, You . 2.00 the promise of success is big with certainty if in- can't fight until you know whom you've got to whip, telligence is allowed the leadership.

Democratic opportunity was never plainer. The conditions which the party has to meet are clearly11 cents | defined. The times are with Democracy, the people are behind it. Potentially Democracy is greater than at any time since its beginning. The situation which it has to meet is now laid bare to view. The Republican party is running against the tendencies of Americanism and the tide of popular favor. The conditions are wholly unfavorable to it. It presents an aspect repuisive to the American spirit. Its doom, by all reference to natural cause and probability, appears to be at hand. Its success can only come through narrowness, weakness and blunders on the part of the opposition. The dominant voice of the people would doom the Republican party. Only the usurpation of unworthy politicians can prolong its power.

Republicanism, as now manifested in the control ling power, is compact, well organized, well drilled, remorseless, conscienceless, increasing in appetite, still growing by what it feeds on, full of cunning, deceit, hypocrisy and evil, bent on plunder stillcoherent though it actually is, yet without a principle to sustain it and without a single reason or excuse for its existence. For the Republican party there is but one issue, and that issue is presented in the National Government

Its plea for control is baited with the fallacious and obvious "prosperity" and "protection"-and there it stands doubted and distrusted by every element of voters not privately concerned in legislative privileges.

Nor does it present a superficial attraction in holding forth Mr. Roosevelt as its candidate. Logic makes him its sole offering. Mr. Roosevelt may be reasonably expected to carry its standard. With another the Republican party might come to us with a degree of plausibility. With Mr. Roosevelt the "This is my busy day." presentment is singularly unattractive, and with him its chances for sustaining the onslaught of a combined, powerful and intelligent Democracy would be small indeed. Within the last few weeks the national notion of the weakness of the Republican party reduced to Mr. Roosevelt has become manifest. The feeling has become impressive that Mr. Roosevelt embodies all of the dangerous tendencies which lurk in Republicanism. With him as candidate the dangerous tendencies are brought distinctly to the view of the people. He hides nothing of the machine's inherent ugliness. No statesmanship obscures his transparency. He is one with the machine. His acts have borne the taint of the organization.

Yet, withal, he is considered dangerous by powers which have resided and do reside within the machine's protection. It has been a chain of remarkabout "a sea of troubles" and "the proud man's con- able circumstances which fastened the party organtumely and the oppressor's wrongs" and was ization inseverably to him. Were there any escape

melancholy. There would be too much food for easy thought.

in like degree before and has never overcome. As absolute monopoly of this industry in India. The two easy thought. cial strength of the nation may be expected to op-

Thus the fight must narrow into one of sheer or-

When were there greater issues to arm Democ eral corruption, the trusts, and the tariff?

The Republican party boldly adopts the defensive upon all of these issues. It stands pat on its inclusive and corroding system of swindling fastened who was thrown out of a window of a street car. upon the public service, and upon the party record A few words for the wife of the business man who of small temporizations. It openly adopts and ran away with her husband's partner. A few words stands pat on the worst forms of the trust evils. exposed to the evils of the opium trade as legalized by During the two Republican administrations the the British Government. after getting a divorce from another brother's country has had abundant opportunity to consider bre her-in-law. A 1ew words for the men who shot these evils and to agree and settle upon the cures each other in a quarrel over a quarter. A few words for their worst forms. The Republican party stands about the South American revolutions. A few pat on the Dingley tariff, having admitted conspicuously the iniquities thereof, having loudly proclaimed promises to repair them and baving fla-

> battle against the machine which seeks to perpetu- placed by flounces, or hoops, or what not. ate the corruption, protection and extortion by which

It will not be for want of opportunity if De mocracy falls. It is the party of potential relief, gowns with ornament is rapidly disappearing. The evenupon which he had decided as necessary for his Let it develop strength in proportion to responsifuture independence and comfort. He made that bility; let it co-ordinate its forces; let it shoulder amount in a short time. Friends prevailed upon him the demands of the people, discarding selfish and to remain and double the amount, and there is a foolish leaders and factional disturbances. Cohesion belief that they hoped eventually to transfer the can only come through a harking back to the "good old-fashioned principles," a firm stand upon those foundation dectrines of Democracy which compel those who have their stocks unsold at the end of the the country's respect. Cohesion can only come Sully forced the price up to above 16 cents. Ap- through a cultivation of liberal sentiment, a disea-

cumbering of disturbing and disuniting influences. Now is the time for the liberal sentiment in the rank and file to assert itself and to dominate the tion to the times and its availability as a custodian

THE CHEERFUL MR. SMITH.

These are troublesome days for Joseph F. Smith,

"Are you sure of the number?" asked Mr. Tayler, the lawyer. er, the lawyer.

"I cannot say that I am absolutely sure," was the present programme of planned construction will

The charm of this is the cheerful way in which

running half time, to men and women who are It is no wonder that several prominent Mormons

in Utah are worried over their connubial prospects when their head man so cheerfully answers leading questions before a Senate committee. It is small wonder that the Honorable Reed Smoot has begun fenewing leases on his dwellings in Utah.

Another grief of the Republican organs is that By trusting wisdom and moderation to govern its Missouri Democrats are not pushing the Cockrell councils, by rising to a plane of activity and broad | boom with a literary bureau. It happens that Senparty spirit above personal ambitions, animosities ator Cockrell does not need an introduction to any and factional differences, Democracy may win this part of the American people. Missouri Democrats believe that he would be a strong national candi-...

> A Globe headline declares that Mr. Eliot of the Civic League pronounced the St. Louis police inefficient. Mr. Ellot stated that in its ordinary duties the police force is efficient, but that it is too much tangled with polities. Mr. Eliot told the truth, as we all know; and Ananias told a barefaced lie, as we all know it does whenever it touches

> Young ladies who come to St. Louis during the World's Fair without chaperon or escort will be met at Union Station by a "Travelers' Aid Committee." These guests will wear blue ribbons for identification. Something will have to be done for the protection of young men who wear scarlet neck-

Investigation of Indian Territory affairs discov ers a Federal "bureaucracy" and the Post-Office Department inquisition discovers a congressional corps of "influence" exerters. The symptoms indicate a severe case of political influenza, accompanied by partisan putridity due to spoilsism syncope.

Opposition to an increase in the army force is inconsistent with the Republican policy of colonia! despotism. In the diplomatic conditions of militarism a standing army is necessary in every American Republic. Ain't we did our jooty in Panny

The projected invasion of St. Louis by Eastern fortune-tellers is a propitious omen. The people are getting into condition to be jollied by the stranger.

It is safe to say that the commandant of the Vladivostok fortifications has hung out the sign

President Smith of the Mormon Church must be a happy father. He doesn't know exactly how many children his wives have.

An appropriation will be made for painting the inside of the City Hall. The colors should be green, red, white and black.

RECENT COMMENT.

Extent of the Opium Industry. Scientific American.

Few people have any idea of the vast areas given over wholly to the cultivation of opium. The consumption and the manufacture of this drug, far from being on the decline, are on the increase to an almost increditable extent. The greed for gold is far more predominant in the human make-up than is the philanthropic spirit which seeks to clevate mankind, though its purse may suffer in so doing. England reaps more benefit from the cultivation of opium than all other nations put to- ing extensively used. One table seat-

principal districts are presided over by and under the direct control of English officials residing at Patna and Ghazipur. The Bahar agency embraces an oplum field of about 500,000 acres, and that of Benares is a close second with 473,500 devoted to the cultivation of this muchtalked-of drug.

There is a flerce dispute going on just now as to the relative merits or demerits of opium. Many eminent men in the scientific world openly declare that opium is blessing. The government experts in the country where it grows go so far as to say that opium is a blessng instead of being a curse to the natives. However, the vast majority of mankind will long be of the undivided opinion that opium is the most all-crushing curse ists, of the International Anti-Opium Society picture the condition of India under the ban of opium in the most dreadful manner possible. According to one of these men, all of the 600,000,000 of human beings in Asia are

How to Dress. Twentieth Century Home.

During the last ten years there has been rapid growth of good judgment in relation to dress. It will be noted that certain styles which conform to the more graceful lines of the figure maintain a sort of vogue; that designers, intent upon creating a complete change looking to the more rapid displacement of fashion, are less success-An army of Republican voters the length and ful. If temporarily dispossessed, that which is useful and graceful soon returns. One season there is a cry that there will be no more shirt waists; the next, that sound and conservative Democratic leadership into the clinging ckirt, falling in graceful folds, is to be dis-

But it will be observed that every effort of this kind is followed by a reaction in favor of that which conforms to what is best in art. The day of the absurd hoopskirt is gone forever. The day of overloading ing gown itself tends more and more to simplicity of

And in the would of ready-made clothing, these who manufacture are coming to note this growth in the direction of what is true upon the part of even the least knowing of women. Year by year, the firms who know their business best are choosing simpler lines, less of elaboration, less of ornament, and it has been noted that season are almost invariably manufacturers whose poor taste does not permit them to understand this principle

Individual Health and Marriage.

American Medicine The influence of married life extends beyond the be getting of healthy offspring. It makes itself felt in other directions. Marriage may be a cause of illness and conducive to the aggravation of certain existing forms of diseases. Disease and physical defects may endeavor. Consider the times, Democracy's rela- exert a deteriorating and pernicious influence upon married life, and then again marriage may effect an amelia ration in or the cure of morbid conditions. Concerning marriage as a cause of disease, the change in the mode of living generally following matrimonial alliance, the leviation from accustomed conditions, the association with a person of the other sex may give rise to various depressions and manifold disturbances which frequently arise from the inevitable necessity of the greater or les dependence of one spouse upon the other and their adaptation to each other. Naturally, the effects of wedlock are more pronounced in the woman, partly on account of the greater sensitiveness of her nervous sys tem, and partly because marriage creates a more radical

> Strength of the American Navy. New York World.

According to Senator Hale, who will be accepted as rank next to that of England, not in tonnage but in ef-There is no diminution in the rate of naval progress

Since 1884 there has been appropriated for the navy the sum of \$760,896,567.75. In 1883 the pay of the navy was \$6,940,780, and last year it was almost twenty millions But is there not an element of danger in this vast exenditure? Is there wisdom in the policy that would al staterooms satisfactory to the officers. Perhaps the old sentiment may soon be paraphrased: "Millions for defense, but only a reasonable amount for staterooms."

BRILLIANT SOCIAL FUNCTIONS FOR WORLD'S FAIR LADY MANAGERS.

Mrs. W. E. Andrews of Washington, Becomes III at Tea Given by Mrs. George C. R. Wagoner-Mrs. Daniel Manning the Guest of Honor at Luncheon Given by Mrs. Daniel M. Houser - Hap penings in Society,



-Photograph by Gerhard Sisters MISS GENEVIEVE STEINEISS

No. 4126 St. Louis avenue, whose engagement to Howard Pernoud, formerly of De Soto, but now a resident of Shreveport, La., is announced. The marriage will take place in June.

Mrs. Daniel M. Houser's luncheen yes-erday afternoon easily takes precedence Wagoner until fully recovered, which, it is expected, will be in a few days. terday afternoon easily takes precedence as the most important function of the week Members of the St. Louis Woman's Club, who were among the twenty-four representative guests yesterday, unhesitatingly pronounce it the finest affair ever given in the clubhouse.

Mrs. Daniel Manning. President of the World's Fair Board of Lady Managers, was the guest of honor, receiving with Mrs. Houser in the green drawing-room. Mrs. Mary Phelps Montgomery, board board member, was also an honoree, and Miss Arna Dawes of the board was among the

guesta. Mrs. Houser were a Vienna costume of golden brown chiffon, combined with daffodil yellow, and Mrs. Manning was also in brown, the costume of chiffon velvet

Fair colors, violet and yellow flowers being extensively used.

erary, chibwork, music or art.

The entertainment was, in a way, official and is the first of many that whi doubtless be given for other distinguished women visitors of the city. The guests

orner, eorge H. Shields, orns Gregg, in Gregg. William C. Stribling

MRS. ANDREWS BECAME ILLA Mrs. George C. R. Wagoner, No. 435 Washington boulevard gave a small and informal tea yesterday afternoon for Mrs.

W. E. Andrews, Washington member of
the Board of Lady Managers; Mrs. Lee
Meriwether, Mme. Roditi and Mrs. Andrews received with the hostess, who
wore pompadour net over white chiffon,
the net flowered in pink roses.

Miss Francine Lacas, Miss Gertzude
Ballard and Miss Ellen Lyons served.

At the close of the afternoon Mrs. Andrews, who has been working very hard
for the last week, in addition to being entertained extensively, was taken suddenly
Ill. She was to have gone to Mrs. Harry
Wagoner of Kensington avenue for a little
visit last night, but was unable to be informal tea yesterday afternoon for Mrs.

INFORMAL DANCE.

Mrs. William Creveling of No. 4233 Mc-Pherson avenue gave an informal dance the dance a repost was served. The fol-lowing guests attended:
Messierrs and Messiames—
Den Westhus.
Masse—
Ganaht. at her home last Saturday evening. After evieve Dolan, berine Bennett, Peter Doort, Judge A Jim Crow, Riley, Judge William Zach- Ganahi, ritz, Judge Ambrose Riley,

DINNER AND MUSICALE. Mrs. Edward H. Lemcke, No. 2612 Rutger street, entertained with a dinner and musicale yesterday afternoon in honor

ma Hildebrandt, Maud Whitley, Carl Kitck, Arthur Whitley, Elmer Lemcke. EUCHRE PARTY.

Mrs. Wright of Fairmount avenue, entertained Saturday afternoon in honor of her guest, Mrs. Hovey of Kalamazoo, Mich. The guests played euchre and Mrs. Orbis deton won the prize

MISS BENZEL ENTERTAINS. Among the successful parties last week was one given by Miss Harrietta Benzel of 2847 St. Vincent avenue Thursday even-ing. The entire house was thrown open and dancing, flinch and pit were enjoyed. Among the many present were the follow-

Frank Sawyer,
Harry Phebus,
John Wade,
John Bauer,
John Bauer,
John Bauer,
R. P. McConnell,

PERSONAL MENTION. Miss Grace of No. 5127 Cabanne avenu ill depart to-day for San Antonio, Tex or a visit. She expects to return in si She expects to return in six Mrs. Alfred Carr is at Los Angeles where she is the guest of Mrs. Alber

A leap-year party was given by the

AS SLOW OUR SHIP. BY THOMAS MOORE.



S slow our ship her foamy track Against the wind was cleaving. Her trembling pennant still looked back To that dear isle 'twas leaving, So loth we part from all we love, From all the links that bind us; So turn our hearts as on we rove To those we've left behind us!

POEMS WORTH KNOWING.

When round the bowl of vanished years We talk with joyous seeming With smiles that might as well be tears, So faint, so sad their beaming; While memory brings us back again Each early tie that twined us, Oh, sweet's the cup that circles then To those we've left behind us!

And when in other climes we meet Some isls or vale enchanting, Where all looks flowery wild and sweet And naught but love is wanting; We think how great had been our bliss If heaven had but assigned us To live and die in scenes like this With some we've left behind us!

As travelers oft look back at eve When eastward darkly going To gaze upon that light they leave Still faint behind them glowing. So when the close of pleasure's day To gloom bath near consigned us, We turn to catch one fading day Of joy that's left behind us,



Good Cheers at the home of Miss Gussie Reiss on Monday evening. Various games pertaining to leap year were enjoyed. Proposals were written by the young ladies and answers given by the young men. At II o'clock supper was served and each guest received a favor.

VISITORS AT ST. LOUIS HOTELS.

-E. L. Sargent of Dailas is at the Planters.
-J. D. Somuson of Winchester, Ky., is a push at the Southern. -J. C. Heriog of Neosha, Mo., is registered at the New St. James. W. H. Morrison of Lafayette, Ind., is on the guest list at the Madison,
 John McAvoy of Chicago is at the Lindell. -Alexander C. Monroe of Kansas City is of the guest list at the St. Nicholas. -Charles F. Parsons and William J. Knight of Chicago are guests at Horn's Hotel.

-1. E. Bassett of Dallas was among yester-day's arrivals at the Moser, -0. D. Santorn of Manila, Ark., is registered at the Likelede. -Henry Wilcox of Denver is at the Planters, -James C. Rambert of Helena, Mont., is a guest at the Southern.

- John H. Neff of Terre Haute, Ind., is spend-ing a few days at the Lindell. -A. A. McCov of Portland, Ore., is at the R. Nicholas.

-R. R. Cunningham of Mexico, Mo., is on the guest list at the New St. James.
-Mr. and Mrs. John Watson of Toledo are at the Planters. Missonrians in New York. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

New York, March 8 .- Hotel arrivals today included the following visitors from the West:

St. Louis-W. J. Carvey, G. W. Flerahelm, mperial, M. G. Weiner, S. Hock, Heraid signare, H. C. Relda, S. M. Flerson, Grand linker, D. F. Davis, Holiand, J. C. Birge and Mrs. Birge, Walderf, E. D. Bartholennew, Narre, Mrs. L. A. Ware, Hoffman, M. Glaser, St. Denis, C. M. Loeb, Imperial, P. Hocfel, kelvedere. Relivedere.

Kanous City-R. W. Smith, Broadway Cenral; J. A. Chilgley, Everett; Miss A. S. Wilson, Criterion; Miss M. Fox, Victoria.

At Chiengo Hotels. REPUBLIC SPECIAL Chicago, Ill., March 8.-These St. Louis folks registered at hotels here to-day: H. Basler, K. S. Burns, H. S. Mitchell, C. T. Nolan, F.

N. Hudson, W. S. Mitchell, C. T. Nolan, F., Sciff, T. H. West, Jr.
Bitlars, H. Burel, E. H. Israel,
Bitlars, H. Burel, E. G. Kelley,
Palmer Heuse, J. S. Gary, S. N. Green, Miss,
S. Kearney, Doctor Went and Mrs. Went,
Grund Paelike, T. A. Howard, A. K. Murray,
I. S. Turley, C. W. Young,
Heevoort, F. E. Nystrom, G. Race,
Morrison, J. Cosgrove, W. A. Rogers, R. S.
Wach

Wach Northern—J. C. Harvey, L. S. Harman, Great Northern—J. C. Harvey, L. S. Harman, F. S. Holland, A. W. Sommers, Saratoga—M. S. Garner, G. G. King. At the National Capital, REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, March 8.—The following visitors from St. Louis and the Southwest are at the national capital: August Gruf and wife of St. Louis, at the Ebbitt; Henry Koehler and wife of St. Louis, Arlington; W. A. Smith of St. Louis, Arlington; W. A. Smith of Guthrie, Ok., Shoreham; Miss Irma Schuiz of El Paso, Arlington; and N. B. Coggeshall and daughter of Eldorado, Kas., St. James,

WOMEN SEEK TO PREVENT VIOLATION OF FREAK LAW

Humane Society Appoints Committee to Investigate Exhibition of Chile dren and Deformed Persons,

The Humane Society of St. Louis started a crusade against museums and concert halls where freaks and children under age

are exhibited, yesterday afternoon at a meeting at the Planters. Members of the Executive Committee participated in a spirited discussion concerning the exhibition of freaks in museums and the employment of children in concert halls. Resolutions declaring war on the practice were unanimously pa It is proposed that legal steps be taken

It is proposed that legal steps be taken in every case of violation of the State law as soon as the cases are found.

According to members of the committee several managers are already making handsome profits by exhibiting unfortunate children who are deformed from birth. It is also urged that many other persons are arranging to open museums during the World's Fair period, and it is proposed to take immediate action, so that the courts will prevent the exhibition of children or the employment of youthful singers and dancers.

It is stated that the movement will assume such proportions as to prevent the exhibition of freak animals, such as three-headed caives, one-legged chickens and whistling mice.

Cases of violation of the freak iaw have

headed caives, one-legged chickens and whistling mice. Cases of violation of the freak law have Hready been reported to the officers of the Humane Society, and it was stated at the necting that warrants would be sworn at against the manager of a certain lowntown museum and amusement hall. Mrs. Mary W. Calkins, secretary of the Jumane Society, and

Humane Society, said:

"The law offers ample protection for freaks, whether human or animal, and we mean to see that the law is enforced. mean to see that the law is enforced, Many persons are expecting to reap harvests from the World's Fair crowds by showing unfortunate children and animals. In every instance of this kind we will proceed without fear or favor. Warrants will be issued for all managers who violate the law in the slightest degree."

It was also decided to extend an invitation to the National Humane Society to hold its annual convention in St. Louis during October. The local society has information stating that the invitation will be accepted. Definite arrangements and date of convention will be announced later,

Vanscort's Wound Was Fatal. The Coroner will hold an inquest to-day over the body of Louis Vanscort of No. 1335 North Garrison avenue, who died at

1335 North Garrison avenue, was the City Hospital from a stab wound sus-the City Hospital from a saloon at Twelfth tained in a fight in a saloon at Twelfth street and Franklin avenue Sunday. The police have arrested several men said to have been implicated in the fight, and they Shot at a Burglar.

Patrick Kellard yesterday morning about 4 o'clock chased a burglar from his home. at No. 422 Shaw avenue, with a pistol and fired several shots at the ficeing man, none of which took effect. The burglas took a suit of clothes. TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

TO-DAY IN ST. LOUIS. From The Republic, March 10, 1879.

H. V. Lucas began the erection of . . a four-story building at the southeast corner of Pine and Fourth · streets. Five persons perished in a fire in

. East St. Louis. They were John and Emma Seipp, children of Mrs. . Bausch: Mrs. Katherine Boerst, • Charles Guckenbach and Henry • Schaefferkoetter. The buildings destroyed were at Broadway and Collingville avenue

The St. Louis Lodge of Elks gave an entertainment at Druids' Hall. . Among those who took part were C. W. Bradley, Pat Short, H. C. . Noxon, George B. Ratcliffe, Harry . • Saxton. George W. Thompson, • & Cocs, Malone, Hibbard, J. H. Hav-· cricy, Harry Kennedy, Eugene · Field, Estil McHenry and Gustave

. Hall. The Catholic clergy protested . a ngainst the passage of a proposed amendment to the City Charter . • recognizing the social evil. Among • those who signed the protest were • the Reverend Fathers H. Muhl- • · siepen, James Henry, F. Goller, M. · ♦ Tobin, M. Gleeson, H. Van der San- ♦ . den, James McCaffrey, C. Smith, . Philip P. Brady, Thomas Daley, D. 6 S. Phelan, W. H. Brantner, James McCabe and William Walsh.

Mrs. Magdalene Jenkil of No. 2007 Jackson died of heart disease at · her supper table. Baron Frunk of Prussia visited St.

 Louis relatives, Emile Karst, French Consul, prepared to entertain Leon Chouteau. . who was to come from Paris in the . interest of a new commercial treaty .

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